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Accessory Molecule**

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First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. A copy of each of the documents is provided herewith. The numbering on this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 26, 1997 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

Applicants also wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner that SEQ ID NO:1 and the corresponding clone of this application are related to SEQ ID NO:16786 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/196,363, filed February 15, 1994; SEQ ID NO:1076 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/221,623, filed March 31, 1994; SEQ ID NO:11692 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/220,691, filed March 31, 1994; SEQ ID NO:14563 in co-pending

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/401,791, filed March 10, 1995; and SEQ ID NO:2122 in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/803,610, filed February 21, 1997.

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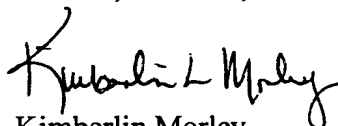
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This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No statement or fee is required.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this pleading is enclosed.

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